



MIAMI TOWNSHIP FIRE & EMS

CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

ADMINISTRATIVE PROTOCOLS



INITIATING MEDICAL COMMAND CALL

1. Calls may be initiated from any Miami Township Paramedic to a physician at any 24 hour staffed emergency department. The emergency department receiving the patient is the preferred medical command contact.
2. A call **MUST** be initiated:
 - A. About any patient who is unstable,
 - B. When required to do so in the applicable management protocol,
 - C. When there is doubt about diagnosis, treatment, or disposition of the patient,
 - D. For multiple casualty incidents (greater than 5 victims), OR
 - E. For radiation or other hazardous materials incidents are encountered.
3. A call **MAY** be initiated:
 - A. When notification will speed or improve patient care, OR
 - B. Whenever it is thought necessary by the paramedic.
4. When a call is not possible, these protocols shall act as standing orders for procedures which may be performed by certified paramedics and paramedic trainees under the direct supervision of a certified paramedic. These protocols do not limit the activity of a paramedic who is in direct contact with the medical command physician. Certain procedures and medications require physician consultation prior to performance of the procedure or administration of the medication. These procedures are noted in the individual protocols. Under certain circumstances, an exception is permitted when communication problems are encountered. In these cases, complete documentation of the incident must include description of why a physician was not consulted.